

FMB Girds For Future Growth

RICHMOND, Va. — In its three-day spring meeting, April 11-13, the Foreign Mission Board provided for both vertical and horizontal advance in its overseas mission work. Among its actions are the following:

1. Invited 49 candidates for the Missionary Journeyman



Rev. Caby Byrne
Student Affairs

Director Named To West Point

ATLANTA (BP) — The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board has appointed the first director of Baptist student affairs to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York.

Acting in cooperation with the Sunday School Board and the Baptist Convention of Maryland, the SBC Chaplains Commission selected Caby E. Byrne, currently director of the Baptist Student Union at Mississippi State University in Starkville.

Officially, Byrne will begin work in July as director, military personnel and Baptist student ministries at the academy. He also will allot time to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in Groton, Conn., and the U.S. Maritime Academy in King's Point, New York.

Byrne, a native of Mississippi, was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Harvey, La., from 1956-1958 before joining Mississippi College (Baptist) in Clinton, Miss., as director of religious activities. Later he was BSU director at Clemson University in Clemson, S.C.

Byrne is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Baptist Seminary, and is a chaplain in the U.S. Army Reserve.

Baggett Named Alabama Editor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP) — Hudson Baggett, a professor of religion at Samford University (Baptist) here for the past eight years, has been named the new editor of the Alabama Baptist, weekly newspaper of the Alabama Baptist State Convention.

The board of directors for the state Baptist paper unanimously elected Baggett to the post. He assumes the position effective June 1.

The 138,000-circulation tabloid paper has been without an editor since the death of Leon Macon in November of 1965. Baggett has been one of several guest editorial writers since then.

Before becoming professor of religion at Samford University (Baptist)

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Fields Elected Head PR Group

NASHVILLE (BP) — The public relations secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention, W. C. Fields of Nashville, was elected here as president of the Religious Public Relations Council.

The action came during the organization's 37th annual convention, meeting at the Southern Baptist Convention building here. Fields, as outgoing vice president, was general chairman for convention

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Program to enter an eight-week summer training program. Upon successful completion of training they will be employed as missionary-journeymen. (Journeymen are single college graduates under the age of 27 who go overseas for two years.)

2. Appointed 23 career missionaries. They and the new journeymen bring the Southern Baptist overseas mission staff to 2,148 (including 1,993 career missionaries and 153 persons in various categories of short-term employment).

3. Committed itself to a two-year pilot project of extended statewide orientation for newly appointed career missionaries. Beginning in September, 1967, this expanded program will provide for two 16-week periods annually to be held at Ridgecrest (N.C.) Baptist Assembly. (Each missionary will take a full 16-week course.)

4. Elected Rev. W. David Lockard, missionary to Rhodesia, an associate secretary for personnel responsible for the direction of missionary orientation.

5. Elected Dr. Ralph L. West, missionary to Nigeria, regional personnel representative for the southeastern area of the United States. He is the second of six regional personnel representatives to be located in areas of heaviest concentration of mission volunteers, candidates, and prospects.

6. Voted to apply for permission to begin mission work in Bechuanaland (a British protectorate in southern Africa scheduled to become independent Botswana in September) and asked the personnel committee of the Board to seek candidates for appointment to the country.

7. Authorized the Board's secretary for Africa and a missionary couple now in East Africa to make a survey trip to Ethiopia with a view toward possible transfer of the missionaries to that country following their upcoming furlough.

8. Appropriated \$4,883,689.63

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MC PRESIDENT SAYS NO U.S. FUNDS ASKED

A report that appeared in daily papers in the state last week that Mississippi College had applied for \$165,780 in federal funds for the current fiscal year has been declared by Dr. R. A. McLemore, college president, to be incorrect.

Dr. McLemore went to Washington immediately upon reading the story in the papers and conferred with officials at the U.S. Office of Education from which the story had been released and carried by the Associated Press.

Dr. McLemore told the Baptist Record Monday that officials at the Office of Education in Washington assured him verbally that the report as released was incorrect and that Mississippi College had not applied for funds for the current fiscal year.

The Mississippi College

GRAHAM SEES 'DEATH-OF-GOD' VIEW AS 'A FALSE RELIGION'

MINNEAPOLIS (RNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham has charged that theologians who say God is dead are being used by the Devil to expound false doctrine.

Death-of-God theology is a false religion—it is another gospel," Mr. Graham wrote in the May issue of Decision magazine, published here by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

He warned that "no Christian, however spiritual, is beyond the seductive assaults of Satan... He invades the theological seminary and even the pulpit. Many times he even invades the church under the cover of an orthodox vocabulary, emptying sacred terms of their Biblical sense."

As a result of these teachings, the evangelist said, "Thousands of uninstructed Christians are being deceived. False teachers use high-sounding words that seem like the epitome of scholarship and culture. They are intellectually clever and crafty in their sophistry."

"But these false teachers will never be able to rob God of one cubit of his glory, majesty and power. God is not only alive—God is laughing at the silly arguments of these supposedly learned men."

Separation Principle Declared In Danger

NEW YORK (RNS)—The Jeffersonian principle of separation of church and state is in greater danger under the present administration in Washington than under a Roman Catholic President, a noted church-state separation leader declared here.

"President Kennedy really respected the Constitution and the Jefferson principle of a wall of separation between church and state," said Paul Blanshard, former special counsel for Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State (POAUS).

But, he added: "President Johnson treats the whole problem with the opportunity

of a bargaining position, and he is getting too much encouragement from both Protestant and Catholic sources."

Mr. Blanshard spoke at a dinner at which he received the Thomas Jefferson Award for Religious Liberty from the Unitarian Universalist District of Metropolitan New York. Last year's winner of the award was Father John Courtney Murray, leading Catholic theologian who drafted much of the statement on religious liberty for Vatican II.

"Under the Johnson educational and welfare laws, a tax-supported teacher can be sent to teach in a sectarian school which is an organic part of a single church," Mr. Blanshard declared. "It is dishonest to call such teaching welfare, and such a policy should not be excused in the name of ecumenism. Cooperation between faiths does not necessarily mean pie-cutting at taxpayers' expense."

He praised the spirit of ecumenical cooperation manifested in the Catholic Church

in the recent Council but warned against "the use of ecumenical euphoria to sanctify church raids on the public treasury."

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Billy Graham On Nationwide TV Next Week

During the week of May 2, Billy Graham will be on television three evenings, coast to coast.

Nearly 300 stations will carry the telecasts. Over 90 percent of the American people will be in viewing areas. Some stations will carry the telecasts May 2, 3, and 4; others will carry them May 4, 5, and 6.

Mississippi stations to carry the Billy Graham telecasts are: Jackson, WJTV, Channel 12, May 2-4, at 9 p.m.; and Tupelo, WTVW-TV, Channel 9, May 4-6, at 9 p.m.

Among the stations, in neighboring states, which will carry the telecasts are: WAPI, Channel 13, Birmingham, Ala., May 4-6, at 10 p.m. (first night) 7:30 p.m. (second night), and 10 p.m. (third night); WALA, Channel 12, Mobile, Ala., May 4-6, at 9 p.m.; WWL, Channel 4, New Orleans, La., May 2-4; at 7 p.m.; 7:30 p.m., and at 8 p.m. respectively; WAFB, Channel 9, Baton Rouge, La., May 2-4; at 9 p.m.; and WHBQ, Channel 13, Memphis, Tenn., May 4-6, at 9 p.m.

These telecasts were filmed at the recent Billy Graham Southern Piedmont Crusade in Greenville, S. C., in which crowds overflowed the 21,000-seat auditorium (in a city of 70,000) from the first night. They were forced to do something they had not done in America before; hold two services each night.

The three messages on nationwide television will be "After Death — What?"; "Flying Blind"; and "A Teenage Rebellion."

The 2500 - voice choir will sing, led by Cliff Barrows. There will be solos by George Beverly Shea, Ethel Waters, and Myrtle Hall.

Concerto Concert Scheduled At MC

The Fine Arts Division of Mississippi College announces that the annual Concerto Concert is to be given on Thursday, May 5, in Nelson Hall Auditorium at 8:15 P.M. Featured on the program will be five senior music majors who will perform with a forty piece orchestra under the direction of Professor Allan Fullen.

Carol Puckett, soprano from Jackson, will sing "Non mi dir" from "Don Giovanni" by Mozart and also "Je veux vivre" (Waltz Song) from "Romeo and Juliet"; Carol Strange, organist from Clinton, will play the first movement from the Organ Concerto by Schroeder; Winnie Sue Winders, pianist from Jackson, will play the first movement of Mozart's Piano Concerto in G Major; James Clark, pianist from Clinton, will perform the first movement of the Piano Concerto No. 2 by Brahms; and Sarah McGlammery, pianist from Ripley, will play the last movement of Chopin's Piano Concerto in E Minor.

This community orchestra personnel will be from Mississippi College, the Jackson Symphony, and also from area schools.

This performance will be aided by a grant from the Recording Industries (Music Performance) Trust Funds, obtained with the cooperation of AFM Local No. 579.

The public is invited to attend this concert. There will be no admission charge.

Baylor Starts New FM Station

WACO, Tex. (BP)—Baylor University's radio station, KWB-FM, became a reality recently.

Within minutes after a telegram arrived at the Baptist school from the Federal Communications Commission authorizing the station operation, the transmitter switch was thrown and the station began broadcasting.

The educational, non-commercial FM station will operate 16 hours daily Monday through Saturday, at a frequency of 88.9 megacycles. The station will broadcast from a 250-watt transmitter. Signals should be received on FM receivers within a 25-mile radius of Waco.



ACTIVE COLPORTER CELEBRATES 90TH BIRTHDAY— Missionaries Wm. Lowrey and Catherine Cooper pose with their friend, Carmelo De Seta, at his 90th birthday celebration. Don Carmelo received (on request) as a birthday present a briefcase in which to carry his materials for personal work. Dr. Cooper, who pastors the First Baptist Church, Banfield, a suburb of Greater Buenos Aires, Argentine Capital, a city of 7½ million people, says that Mr. De Seta has been a constant inspiration to him and the church. The Coopers are missionaries in Argentina, named by the Foreign Mission Board in 1939. He has been with the International Baptist Theological Seminary since appointment and its President since 1946. (Dr. Cooper is the brother of Mrs. Chester L. Quarles of Jackson.)

ROBINSON ST. CHURCH BUYS ADDITIONAL PROPERTY

The Robinson Street Church in Jackson has voted to purchase a 7½ acre tract of land on Robinson Street (south) just beyond Rolling Hills subdivision, with the possibility of it being used in the future for expansion of the program of the church, according to Rev. John McDonald, pastor.

The action came as a result of a report by the church's planning and survey committee, presented by James White, which revealed that present facilities are filled to capacity and the church needs more space for future growth and expansion.

Mr. White was assisted in giving this report by the following members: Roy Lundquist, chairman; Sam Walker, G. D. Calloway, W. C. Allen, Shelton Weathersby, Mrs. L. A. Jolley, and Robert Smith.

Sixteen years ago, another group of people had the vision to see the need for a church in an area of West Jackson and this was the beginning of the Robinson Street Baptist Church.

The church was constituted on December 3, 1950 as Dr. Chester Quarles gave the charge to Rev. Léonard Holloway, pastor; the deacons and trustees, who had been chosen previously. There were 51 charter members.

The property of Dr. C. E. Lewis, located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Robinson Street and Ellis Avenue, was purchased in February, 1951. On the third Sunday of February, 1951 the first service was held in the house formerly occupied by the Lewis family.

In 1953 a new building consisting of a chapel seating 250 people and 20 classrooms for Sunday School. In 1960 Rev. Holloway resigned as pastor to work in the organization of a new church in Arizona. In 1961 Rev. Robert H. Ledbetter was called as pastor. Prior to Mr. Ledbetter's coming, the church purchased a lot and a new pastor's residence was constructed.

Rev. Wyley M. Peebles was called as minister of music and education, and began his

SBC Sessions . . .

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The SBC constitution authorizes the Executive Committee to change the time and place of the meeting if the entertaining city withdraws its invitation or is unable to fulfill its commitments.

The chairman of the committee, W. Douglas Hudgins, and the executive secretary, Porter W. Routh, felt that the situation created an emergency and that a decision should be made immediately. They polled members of the Executive Committee on the proposed changes.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AT BIRMINGHAM ASSEMBLY This conference will feature three Southern Baptists. For the week of July 25-Aug. 1, leaders will be: (top row) conference preacher, Newman E. McElroy, pastor, Northwest Oklahoma City; education speaker, Dr. Fred S. Edge, professor of religious education, Southern Seminary; missions speaker, Dr. W. E. Clegg, pastor, First Baptist Church, Birmingham; and Misses T. C. Bagby (left) and Mrs. Ernestine Bagby (right), conference secretaries. Dr. Clegg, Mrs. Bagby, and Mrs. Ernestine Bagby are members of First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Dr. Clegg is a member of First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Bagby is a member of First Baptist Church, Birmingham, and Mrs. Ernestine Bagby is a member of First Baptist Church, Birmingham.

Utilizing Our Sorrows

By S. L. Morgan, Sr.
Hamilton, N. C.

I had but lately been so touched at seeing Walter trying desperately in his desolate home to be cheerful. I had gone with him to see his wife in the great tubercular sanatorium. Reports gave us assurance that in a few months she'd be back in the home with her sunshine.

I wrote them both my assurance out of my long experience that by and by God's mysterious alchemy will put into their lives something finer than they had ever known. For I had learned by the age of 94 that that's what trouble does—when given a chance. I had seen it too often to doubt it—if only one lets God work his will through trouble.

During 40 years as a pastor, and since, I became sure that trouble has a positive value, if only one doesn't get bitter and fight back when it comes.

Trouble normally makes us humble, able to look up and ask God for the help needed, even to surrender and let God have his way.

One of my finest examples is Janie. In high school she fell in love with a boy far her inferior, many of us thought. He even sank to drink and crime, and served a term in prison. By then there were two little girls. He came home from prison sick, and died soon.

Janie went back to school and won a college degree. Brilliant and amiable, she was soon one of the most popular teachers in the little city. On a short visit, I heard her praise on every tongue. I rang her up and said, "Janie, I'd

so love to say it to your face, but I rang you up to say simply, 'I'm so proud of you; everybody says you are the finest teacher in the entire county school system.'"

It was largely because trouble had burned all the dross out of her and made her a great loving and lovely person, leaving pure gold "tried in the fire." Fine in girlhood, she had become superfine.

Even in her teen years I had seen something very fine in her, but now I wanted to write something about her fineness. I wrote her, "Please tell me what you think is the best thing that has ever come out of your sorrows and successes—for you've had much of both." Her answer came unhesitating and hearty: "It was my troubles; I've thanked God over and over for my troubles, for without them I'd never have got

close enough to God to be the Christian I am."

The answer delighted me, coming from one whose sincerity I had never doubted for a moment.

She put her two girls through college, one to become the wife of a professor, the other to become her chief pride and joy, teaching mentally retarded children to find themselves and a place in life.

I thought Janie always a lovely person, but it took great trouble to make her into the truly great person she is.

Such wonders wrought in people by sorrow have led me to urge on people often: "Don't be afraid of trouble or sorrow; only pray to learn how to utilize it, if it comes." Truly it is God's masterpiece to burn the dross out of us and leave pure gold—if only we learn how to use it.



Hudson Baggett

Baggett Named . . .

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versity, Baggett was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Florence, Ala.

Previously he served as pastor of the Panama Baptist Church in Cullman, Ala., the Shades Valley Baptist Church in Birmingham; and the Salem Baptist Church in Alabama.

A native of Alabama, Baggett is a graduate of Samford University (then Howard College), and Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., where he earned the doctor of philosophy degree.

Baggett commented following his election, "I am honored at the confidence placed in me by the board of directors, and by the help of God I will seek to justify this confidence as I serve the Baptists of Alabama in this important position."

Baggett is married to the former June Stewart, an Alabama native and graduate of Carver School of Missions of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky. They have 3 sons: Mark, 11; Dale, 10; and Kim, 6.

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arrangements.

Meeting in the south for the first time in the organization's history, six Baptists delivered major addresses to the three-day convention. Four others led small group conferences.

Southern Baptists delivering major addresses included George Schweitzer, chemistry professor at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville; James L. Sullivan, executive secretary treasurer of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; Dan Grant, professor at Vanderbilt University, Nashville; and Miss Marjorie Saunders, public relations director at Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas.

Southern Baptist public relations workers won four out-of-state awards presented by the council to its members for outstanding work.

The awards went to Miss Irene Gray, press relations director of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, for a news story; Mrs. Agnes Ford and Robert Jackson of the Baptist Sunday School Board, for photography; and two awards to Clarence Duncan of the SBC Radio and Television Commission, for the film "The Inheritance" and for a special public relations project concerning opening of the commission's new building in Fort Worth.

Laymen's Meet

On Missions

Set For Detroit

DETROIT, Mich. (BP)—A men's conference with an emphasis on missions has been scheduled the night of May 23 in Detroit as a prelude to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Sponsored by the Brotherhood Commission and the Home Mission Board, the conference will be held in Central Baptist Church.

Program of the conference will feature addresses on missions, music, and testimonies of men involved in missions. Theme will be, "That Men May Know."

Sponsors hope to attract more than 300 men attending the Southern Baptist Convention, many from the Detroit area.

Cooperating in the conference is the State Baptist Convention of Michigan headed by Fred Hubbs, executive secretary.

Wrong is never right, no matter how many are in favor of it.



Dr. Grady Cothen

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and as a member of the board of trustees for both Oklahoma Baptist University and New Orleans Seminary. He currently serves as a member of the North American Baptist Fellowship Committee, and as a member of the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee.

Cothen and his wife, the former Bettye Major of Chattanooga, Tenn., have two children.

He is a brother of Dr. Joe Cothen, pastor of Alta Woods Church in Jackson, Miss.

British Baptist Leader Suffers Heart Attack

LONDON (RNS) — Dr. Ernest A. Payne, who has been secretary-general of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland since 1951, was hospitalized here after a heart attack.

A hospital bulletin said he was making satisfactory progress but he has cancelled all engagements for the next two months. Thus, he will miss the Union's annual Assembly here April 25 and also the Baptist Missionary Society.

The other new missionaries, their native states, and fields of service are James W. An-

drson, of Kentucky, and Yvonne Rae Williams Anderson, of Missouri, for the Philippines; David P. Daniell, of Texas, and Lorna Chilton Daniell, of Oklahoma, for Mexico; A. Kent Faris, of Ohio, and Sarah Bullock Faris, of North Carolina, for South Brazil; Dean T. Fitzgerald, Jr., of Missouri, and Dona Wallis Fitzgerald, of Oklahoma, for Jordan.

Along with reports of results and need, courage and frustration, but most of all the call for reinforcements in missionary personnel came the jubilant news that Rev. and Mrs. James F. Leeper, of Dayton, Ky., appointed in December as the first Southern Baptist missionaries to Turkey, have been granted visas for entering and working in that country. They expect to minister to English-speaking people in Ankara, the capital.

More Funds Needed

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, expressed gratitude to Southern Baptists for sustained financial support for an ever increasing number of missionaries and constantly expanding missionary outreach. At the present rate of advance, he said, the operating budget of the Board must be increased by at least \$2,000,000 annually.

We always look to the Cooperative Program for basic financial reinforcement for all our missionary labors," he continued. "And we rejoice in the ingathering of the 1965 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, which as of this meeting has reached a total of \$12,387,840."

Dr. Cauthen said that approximately 93 percent of all money received by the Board (\$26,362,214 last year) is expended overseas. The remaining 7 per cent is used in the States for administration, bringing missionaries for appointment, and sharing information on missions with Southern Baptists.

Missionary Appointees

The new missionaries include Anne Luther Bagby Braly, an MK (missionary kid) whose family has been prominent in foreign missions since her grandparents, the late Dr. and Mrs. William B. Bagby, started Southern Baptist mission work in Brazil in 1881. Mrs. Braly is the daughter of Mrs. T. C. Bagby (now retired) and the late Mr. Bagby. She was born and reared in Brazil. She and her husband, Dr. Byron D. Braly, native of Texas, were appointed for Yemen.

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

Go To Detroit

Southern Baptist pastors and laymen from all over the nation should go to the Detroit convention, to be held May 19-22.

The annual convention is the most important meeting of the year for Southern Baptists. At the sessions the boards, commissions, committees and agencies, report on their work, and plans are adopted for the coming years. Divisive issues are debated and decided. Inspirational messages are brought in every session. While the convention must, of necessity, commit much of its work to its Executive Committee, the actual final decisions on all major issues are made by the messengers in the annual sessions. Several important matters will be discussed in this 1966 session.

Moreover, this convention is being held in one of the pioneer areas where Southern Baptist work is comparatively new. Those attending this meeting will have opportunity to view for themselves the tremendous witness for Christ which is being given by these new churches and young conventions.

Churches should send their pastors (and their wives) to this convention, and should encourage some of their laymen and women to attend. There are many fine laymen in Mississippi who could arrange to attend this year if they chose to do so. We would encourage them to plan, even now, to make the trip. It will be an experience of a life time to see, and participate in, the actual workings of a great convention meeting.

We sincerely hope that Mississippi will be well represented in this coming convention session.

Stay For The Closing Session

One of the problems with any convention is getting the delegates or messengers to stay through the closing sessions. This has been especially true of the Southern Baptist Convention, since the meetings are held between Sundays. Many pastors try to attend without missing a Sunday from their pulpits, or if they have to be absent one Sunday, they usually make it the Sunday prior to the convention so that they may attend the Pastor's Conference or the WMU Convention which are held on Monday and Tuesday before the actual SBC sessions begin. The result is that the closing sessions of the SBC usually suffer because of

people leaving, hurrying to be back home on Sunday. President Wayne Dehoney has issued an appeal for messengers to make every effort to remain for the Friday night session this year, since that is the time which has been set for launching plans for the Crusade of the Americas.

The Crusade of the Americas is an evangelistic campaign to be held by the Baptists of North and South America in 1969. It is perhaps the greatest evangelistic effort ever undertaken by any group in Christian history. It will reach every country in the Western hemisphere.

The challenge for this great crusade came from the Baptists of Brazil, and almost every Baptist group in both North and South America has responded. The official launching of Southern Baptist participation will be made in this closing session of the Detroit convention. Speakers will include two of the vice-presidents of the Baptist World Alliance, and responses will be given by representatives of every nation of the two continents. A parade of flags will precede a great period of dedication. Dr. Dehoney says that this "promises to be one of the greatest, most glorious sessions ever held at a Southern Baptist Convention."

Pastors who plan to be out one Sunday, would do well this year, to try to make that the Sunday after the convention, in order to be able to remain for this session.

Dr. Dehoney says, "I can think of nothing that would warm a man's heart any more or challenge him and prepare him to preach on Sunday any better than to be in that commitment service on Friday night."

Maybe your convention report will have to wait a Sunday, or you may have to drive late on Friday night and Saturday night, but do try to stay for this great closing session of the coming convention.

GUEST EDITORIAL**Vatican Marriage Laws****Much Ado About Nothing**

John Hurt in Christian Index, (Ga.)

Much ado about nothing. This in brief is our summary of the Vatican's modifying its laws concerning marriage of Roman Catholics to non-Catholics.

Those wanting to shout the Vatican's praise about easing tensions with those outside the Roman Catholic orbit are too anxious to shout. They would expect a crumb to provide a banquet; one drop of rain to end a drought.

Take a glance at what the Vatican did:

No more automatic excommunication for a Catholic entering into marriage with a non-Catholic before a non-Catholic clergyman. The penalty is retroactive.

The non-Catholic can now promise orally, instead of in writing, to respect the Catholic's faith and allow

the children to have a Catholic upbringing.

Permit mass and blessing of a mixed marriage and a non-Catholic clergyman to say appropriate words and give spiritual counsel after the service.

So much for the second-class status accorded those outside the Roman Catholic faith. It is comparable to President Johnson inviting visitors to the White House but keeping them outside the Pennsylvania Avenue gates.

Press reports say the Vatican left "the door open for further easing of existing regulations." So what? The sinner doesn't win heaven's reward by confessing his smallest sin nor do we get an invitation to the Vatican except on its very limited terms. In effect, we can look at St. Peter's dome and then only at a distance.

The Vatican still doesn't recognize a marriage outside its churches. It still insists on its own religious monopoly. It alone has the truth, it says, and none must tamper with those on its rolls.

Why the fear of proselytism? It is rather difficult to understand in our day when there is so much emphasis on freedom and dialogue.

Statistics indicate the Vatican revisions of its law were selfish with no ecumenical motivation. In the 27 archdioceses of the United States 24.9 per cent of marriages performed in Catholic churches were mixed marriages. Statistics obviously would be interesting on the number of Catholics marrying outside their church.

And, in Atlanta in 1964 there were 140 all-Catholic marriages and 230 mixed marriages performed in Catholic churches. The figure for the Savannah diocese was 111 all-Catholic and 231 mixed.

The Vatican still finds it necessary to build a wall around the Catholic spouse and any offspring. We don't like walls, whether in Berlin or Rome.

The Baptist Forum**Name Change?**

Dear Editor:

I have read with considerable interest the substance of Mr. Charles Chaney's article in the Home Missions magazine editorial supporting a change in name of The Southern Baptist Convention. I concede that there is an element of reason in the idea of changing the name from one with regional connotation to one more descriptive of an organization having a nation-wide reach. But I am amazed that the reasons given by Mr. Chaney for making such a change should merit serious consideration. The very fact that the Southern Baptist Convention has demonstrated its powerful appeal to people of every State in the Union is ample evidence that the name connotes something a great deal more than regional or geographical in nature.

Mr. Chaney's picture of Southern Baptists as viewed by citizens in other parts of our nation is certainly appalling, to say the least. But I rather doubt that these Americans outside the South are really steeped in such abysmal ignorance as he would have us believe. Can

recognize the existence there of a religious spirit quite beyond any geographic label?

Surely Southern Baptists are human and far from perfect, and surely the Southern Baptist Convention has plenty of room for improvement. But the very occasion for this controversy about names results from the magnitude of Southern Baptist success! The early followers of Christ were first called Christians as a term of derision, just as the South has been sneeringly referred to as the "Bible Belt." But I have no apology to make to anybody anywhere for being a Southern Baptist Christian, and I can see no excuse for changing our name to keep somebody from being offended at an invitation to embrace a faith exported from the benighted Bible Belt!

Charles H. Dean, Jr.
P. O. Box 4685,
Jackson, Miss.

Private Schools

Dear Sir:

I wish to challenge you to use some of your editorializing to promote the founding of private schools throughout the state of Mississippi, supported by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. I feel that this move should have been

started at least three years ago. Countless numbers of low Baptists I have talked with feel the same way.

The Presbyterians of Jackson have been going about this task for about two years or more in a quiet but very effective manner. We Baptists probably outnumber the Presbyterians 10 to 1 and stand to benefit in a like proportion from such an undertaking.

Let it not be said that the Presbyterians did something the Baptists did not have the courage or the intelligence to strive to do. There should be no doubt in any one's mind as to where we stand now and time is fast running out. Let's not sell out our precious children for a "mess of potage." If we do we don't deserve them.

Respectfully,
A South Mississippi Baptist.

(Name signed but withheld by request.)



CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SBC
Con men are increasingly victimizing the elderly segment of the population. Their schemes include worthless stocks and bonds, oil and gas leases, misleading ads, phony work-at-home employment, and the sale of extremely bad land at high cost.

According to the US Public Health Service, there has been a nationwide increase of more than 200% in infectious syphilis among teen-agers since 1957. According to a Saturday Review article (March 19, 1966 issue) a VD epidemic is now raging throughout the country: over 22,000 cases of infectious syphilis and over 290,000 cases of gonorrhea reported annually. According to the American Medical Association, this represents the nation's most critical communicable disease problem.

Identical alcohol bills were introduced in both Houses of the U.S. Congress in an effort to make a major breakthrough for the entire field of alcoholism. On March 15 Senator Frank Moss of Utah introduced S.3089 and on March 16 Congressman G. Elliott Hagan of Georgia introduced HR 13724 in their respective Houses of Congress.

The bills call for the establishment of the Alcoholism Control Administration within the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, establishment of the National Institute of Alcoholism within the US Public Health Service, and creation of a National Advisory Committee on Alcoholism. Through these structures a multi-million dollar program of alcohol education, prevention, and treatment would be projected. The bills envision the utilization of the nation's total resources in attempting to solve the problems created by beverage alcohol.

A total of seven bills to establish lotteries in Massachusetts were killed in the House of Representatives of that state. The bills included a sweepstakes measure patterned after the New Hampshire sweepstakes. All of the bills were defeated so decisively that there appears to be no likelihood that Massachusetts will have a legalized lottery of any kind in 1966.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

May 2—Joyce Wilkinson, faculty, Gilfoy School of Nursing; Bessie Herrington, staff, Children's Village.

May 3—Mrs. Myrah Riley, faculty, Carey College; Mrs. L. G. Kee, Clarke College faculty.

May 4—Roland Smith, Wayne associational Brotherhood president; Cabby E. Byrne, Jr., Baptist student director, Miss. State University.

May 5—Mrs. Margarete Cox, faculty, Mississippi College; John B. Laney, supt. of missions, Jackson County.

May 6—Mrs. Lois Hughes, Baptist Building; Virginia Johnson, Baptist Building.

May 7—Minnie James, Baptist Book Store; Mrs. D. H. Guyton, staff, Blue Mountain College.

May 8—Nat Mayhall, Sunday School supt., Union Association; Marvin Lee, supt. of missions, Jasper County.

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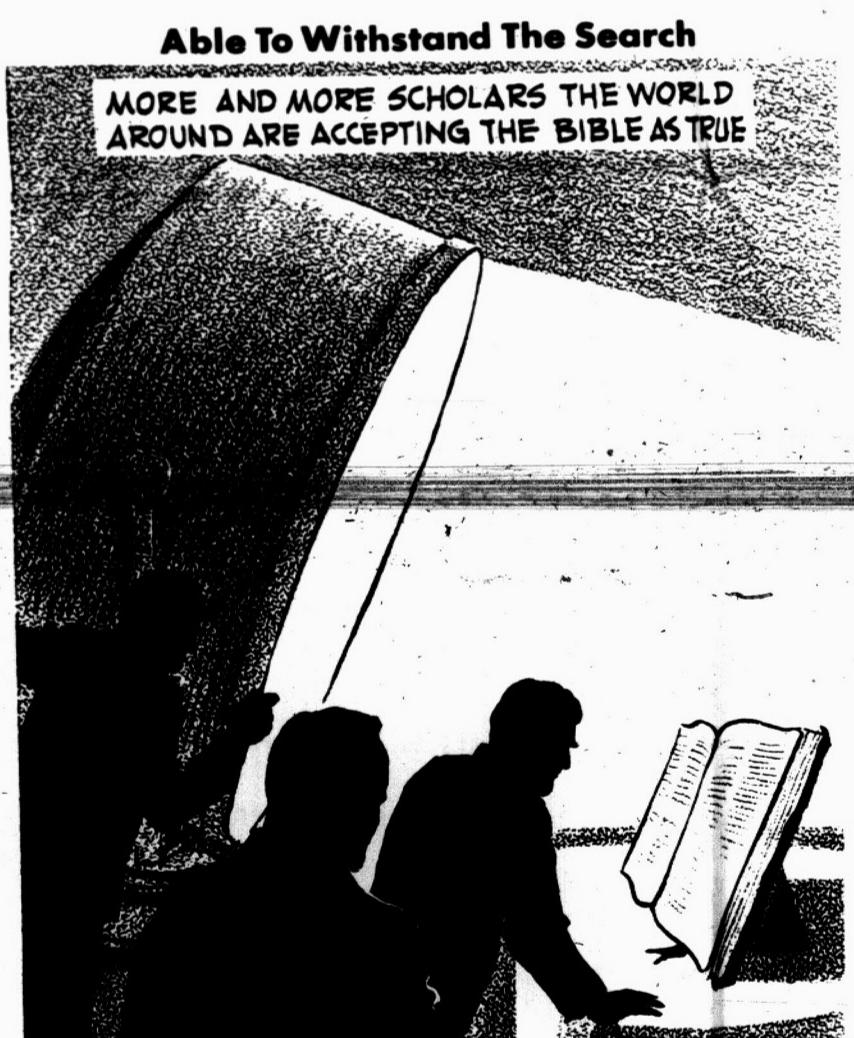
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**Newest In Books**

THE KESWICK WEEK—1965 (Christian Literature Crusade, Ft. Washington, Pa. 190 large pages, \$2.75 paper; \$3.50 cloth).

The annual report of the world renowned Keswick Bible Conference in England. The volume always contains outstanding messages on the deeper spiritual life by some of the world's great preachers and missionaries. The outline by days of the 1965 conference was Sin's Guilt and Power, Salvation's Full Implications, Surrender to the Lordship of Christ, Sovereignty of the Spirit, and Summons to Service. The messages of each day follow this outline. There also is a depth study of Romans 8-12 under the general subject The Privileges of the Justified. Searching, challenging, Bible-centered messages.

SERMONS ON CATHOLICISM by John R. Gilpin (Calvary Church, Ashland, Ky., 156 pp., paper \$2.00).

A collection of sermons preached over a period of years dealing with various subjects related to Roman Catholicism, her papacy, her doctrines, and her actions. The author believes that Romanism is false in its doctrines and practices, and examines those in the light of the Bible. He points out errors and shows why they are errors. He shows why Peter was not the first pope, and why other popes are not the "vicar of Christ." A pointed, plain spoken book, not written as a study in depth, but rather as messages as they were preached.

WITH THE WHOLE HEART by Ned Collier (Fleming H. Revell, 96 pp., \$2.75). The author is host to the television program, "To Tell The Truth. Reaching into various areas of profound human need for love, happiness, faith, forgiveness, dedic-

cation, communication—these poetic readings present an affirmative approach to living. He neither conceals his beliefs nor does he exaggerate the demands, or the cost, of following Christ.

SONGS IN OUR BIBLE by Jessie Eleanor Moore (Jud-

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—Clarence W. Crawford, in "The Baptist Student."

Ample Prospect For Evangelism—Now!

By R. Othal Feather
Professor, Education
Administration, Southwestern
Seminary

Almost everywhere the cry has been heard during recent years, "We do not have many prospects for evangelism attending our church services." or "We have very few unsaved people enrolled in our Sunday schools." There is an element of truth in these as-

sumptions, although they are only relative statements. Such convictions tend to discourage aggressive action in the area of evangelism.

Evangelism is a personal matter and is not altogether dependent on numbers for the desired response. Decisions for Christ are made, one at a time. It does not take many professions of faith to kindle the fires of evangelism. When

this happens, always many more unsaved and unchurched people are attracted to the church where people are being won to Christ and church membership.

Every new convert goes back into homes, neighborhoods, business and industry where there are others in need of the same salvation. This is the highest motivation for continuous Sunday school enlargement which always provides ample prospects for evangelism.

The Real Truth

What is the real truth about the present evangelistic potential for Southern Baptist churches? The average church is now in contact with at least one prospect for church membership for every four resident church members. Approximately half of these are unsaved and unchurched Sunday school members of junior age or older. The other half are unsaved and unchurched parents (not enrolled in Sunday school) whose children are Sunday school members. These facts should not be treated as fiction. Several thousand Sunday school witnessing campaigns conducted during the past few years have demonstrated that Southern Baptists now have evangelistic prospects in these proportions. The number of prospects for evangelism found through the Sunday school increases as the enrollment grows beyond the resident church membership. Almost ninety per cent of all church additions, annually, come from these prospects who are found through the Sunday school. Evangelistic prospects of this type are already exposed to the Gospel through Bible study, worship services and the outreach of the Sunday school.

BAPTIST WORK IN DETROIT is discussed by Francis DuBose (seated), Detroit Baptist Association Superintendent of Missions, and members of the Missions Committee. They are, left to right (standing), James Jones, R. J. Sherrill, and Fred Trachsel. The Greater Detroit Baptist Association is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in annual session in Detroit, May 24-27. (BP Photo by SBS Home Mission Board)

Pastor Calls Results Of Vandalism "Blessing"

By Polly McNabb

HAWTHORNE, Calif. (BP)—"Vandals" broke 73 windows in a brand-new church building at Ocean Gate Baptist Church here, but the end result has become "one of the greatest blessings this church has ever experienced."

The night before dedication services for the new two-story educational building and remodeled auditorium, the culprits broke a large window which had been dedicated to one of the architects, Norman Short, who died three months before completion of the building.

The next night, after dedication services had been held, the youngsters struck again, breaking 72 more windows, shattering glass all over new pews, scarring pulpit furniture, and making a mess of the entire church building.

"The church must accept its part of the blame for this," said Pastor Justin Wales as he gazed unbelievingly at the wreckage of the new building the next day.

"We didn't get the message of Christ into the homes," he said, "or we might have prevented this."

The story became big news in the Los Angeles papers. Suddenly the little church, which according to the pastor, "had hardly been noticed in the 15 years it has been here" found itself in the limelight.

The result was "some of the best publicity for our revival we have ever had," declared Wales. "People from all over town began calling to find out what time the revival starts."

The church was beginning a revival with Joe Kaiser of Houston, Tex., as evangelist. Wales said that people who had never heard of Ocean Gate Baptist Church before planned to attend because of the incident.

Money came from people throughout the community to help pay for the damage. One little old lady gave the pastor an envelope full of pennies, nickels, and dimes totalling \$2.37. It was all she had in the house, but she wanted to help pay for one of the windows.

Everyone was asking "Who in the world would do such a dastardly deed," said Wales.

The answer proved to be almost as much of a shock as the deed itself, for the culprits turned out to be two little boys, ages nine and 12.

"What are you going to do with them?" a reporter asked the pastor.

"Oh, they're here with me now," Wales said. "They've been helping me clean up, and now they're helping me make a poster for the revival."

"We just couldn't throw them to the wolves. They didn't even know why they did it," he said.

Wales added that the incident had given the church an opportunity to get into the homes of the boys and talk with their parents. "We believe before this thing is over, we'll have the whole family for Christ," he said.

"The boys have said they want to be friends with the preacher, the church, and with Jesus," Wales continued.

He added that while the whole thing was a shock to the church and community, "it has turned out to be one of the greatest blessings this church has ever experienced."

The Ocean Gate church had an average Sunday School attendance of about 25 two years ago, and now attendance is over 100 and offerings have tripled.

The two-story educational building and the remodeling job on the auditorium cost about \$65,000, bringing total property valuation to about \$200,000. The church can now accommodate 340 in Sunday School.

Ten nationalities are represented in the church membership. The contractor for the new building is a Filipino, whom the pastor baptized recently. His name is Julius Caesar Augusta Mopano. Wales believes he is the only pastor who has ever "baptized Julius Caesar."

And what about the two little boys? They'll be in Sunday School next Sunday.

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culture, poise and good vocabulary, they invited him to speak at their church.

Inspired to help the pastor in some way, the women consulted with their own pastor who suggested, "If you want to do something for him, help him with his education."

Thus it was that a fund was started through voluntary contributions.

It was no trouble to raise the money, according to one of the women, and it wasn't long before Mr. Gibson was enrolled at Clarke College.

Contributions began coming in from individuals as well as church groups. A cottage was furnished at Clarke for the pastor, his wife and two children.

Advance Education

After graduation from Clarke he went on to Mississippi College where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree.

Enrolled in Southwestern Seminary, he served eight hours a day as a janitor and pastored an Indian church while carrying a full load of courses.

Receiving his B.D. degree, he returned to his people near Philadelphia in 1961.

He was not immediately accepted by his people, however, and had to prove himself first.

"He sought any task in deep humility to help his people in any way he could," one benefactor explained.

Some 18 Lauderdale County churches are now represented among contributors to the scholarship fund to aid the pastor and other Choctaws in

need of financial help in getting an education.

Tribal Council Officer

He serves as vice president of the Choctaw Tribal Council. His church has had a substantial increase in attendance and missionary efforts recently. The church's Lottie Moon offering was \$56 this year. Largest previous offering for this cause was \$14.

Macedonia Church recently observed Youth Week. The youth pastor was one of the young men of the church who is a junior at the University

of Southern Mississippi.

Mr. Gibson preaches each Saturday in Choctaw over the Philadelphia radio station. He is moderator of the Choctaw Indian Association and he recently promoted an association mission festival in which judges were two music directors from Lauderdale County.

The pastor's next project in the association is to be extension classes for Sunday school teachers and leaders in which he will be assisted by the Rev. Roy Cullum, pastor of Philadelphia First Church.

EDITOR'S NOTE: More than 15,000 Southern Baptists are expected to attend the Southern Baptist Convention when it meets in Detroit, Mich., May 24-27. When they visit this center of automobile manufacturing, they will find

79 Southern Baptist churches and chapels.

How long have they been there? What are they doing? The superintendent of missions for the Greater Detroit Baptist Association, Francis M. DuBose, gives the answers and background in this report from Motor City, USA.

By Francis M. DuBose

Baptist work began in Michigan in 1812, two years before the formation of the Triennial Convention, the first national organization of Baptists in America.

Southern Baptists, however, did not officially enter Michigan until 1951. In that year, the "Motor Cities Association of Southern Baptists in Michigan," affiliated with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, was organized.

Encompassing the entire state, the association was formed by six churches which reported some 800 members.

Two of the churches were in Detroit, and three were in suburban Detroit (Pontiac, Roseville, and St. Clair Shores). The sixth was in Flint.

In 1957 the Baptist State Convention of Michigan was organized with 32 churches, including 29 in the Detroit area.

Today, the Baptist ministry in Michigan has grown to 148 churches with an additional 49 chapels, and 26,555 members.

In the Detroit area, 60 churches and 19 chapels with

14,025 members seek to minister to the needs of a metropolitan area where there are 2.7 million people.

It is our great pleasure to host the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Detroit, May 24-27.

From the beginning, Southern Baptist work in Detroit has had a close relationship to the work in the rest of the state. The state Baptist offices have been in Detroit from the start.

The state convention has provided office space for the superintendent of missions serving the Detroit area, employed jointly by the Baptist State Convention of Michigan and the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Nearby Oakland and Macomb counties have their own Baptist association. Of the 60 Southern Baptist churches of the metropolitan area, eleven are in Macomb County and thirteen are in Oakland County. The superintendent of missions who serves these two counties also serves the "thumb area," the section immediately north of Detroit.

The Greater Detroit Baptist Association serves the 2,750,000 people of Wayne County with a staff of three: a superintendent of missions, a director of the Baptist Center, and an office secretary.

The primary program of the Ioway association is church extension. The present emphasis is upon home fellowship missions, in an effort to reach the untouched areas of the county. The 36 churches are only a fraction of the number needed for an adequate Baptist witness.

An area in northwest Detroit has a half million people with only one Southern Baptist congregation, a new mission, and few Baptist churches of other kinds.

The main institutional emphasis has been the Detroit Baptist Center. The center program includes the fellowship of a Baptist church and a variety of special week-day programs designed to minister to the needs of inner city families.

Construction will begin this spring on a new center building to be provided by funds from the state convention and Home Mission Board. The center building will be erected on the site of the old center just across the street from the state office building at 2619 Cass Avenue, in downtown Detroit.

The center will serve as a laboratory to find adequate programs for inner city churches. Presently most of the Detroit central city churches are making plans for a week-day ministry.

Detroit, which might be called the buckle of the American language belt, offers an unusual challenge for special language ministries. As a beginning, through the assistance of the state convention and Home Mission Board we are working with the Spanish and Slavic speaking of Detroit. Ministries to the deaf are also getting under way.

Other work includes a counseling program for prison parolees, a student program at Wayne State University, and a youth program consisting of monthly rallies and special recreational activities.

The Detroit association and the state convention work closely in the development of a strong Southern Baptist witness in Detroit.

BAPTIST PERSONALITIES—

CHOCTAW MINISTER 'IMPRESSIVE' WITH HUMILITY, SPIRITUAL DEPTH



Rev. Clay Gibson

By JEAN PERRY
A full-blooded Choctaw Indian whose "most outstanding characteristic is his humility" has won the respect and affection of a large group of people in Lauderdale County.

He is Rev. Clay Gibson, full-time pastor of Macedonia Church at Conehatta whose only ambition is to help his own people, the Choctaw.

His most recent project is directing a government anti-poverty program at the Pearl River School near Philadelphia.

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(There were 23 barrels of new hospital supplies sent by Mississippi WMU.)

Ample Prospect . . .

(Continued from page 5) twenty resident church members. Never-the-less, some churches with no more than half the usual number of prospects are baptizing one person for every twelve to fifteen resident church members simply by increasing the number of witnesses. The Holy Spirit will bless any sincere, tactful form of lay witnessing even when the witness does no more than express personal concern or bear his personal testimony.

The real test is the number of witnesses on the alert and at work, daily, for the Lord in their various vocations where the unsaved and unchurched earn their livelihood. Recent surveys revealed that the average church elected volunteer workers does not attempt to witness to more than four persons, annually. This spasmodic effort will not win a lost world. On the contrary, when lay members of the churches consistently witness to the unsaved and unchurched who are identified with and through the Sunday schools, God will honor Southern Baptist churches with more prospects. This is the testimony of many churches where they continue to enjoy high baptismal ratios, year after year.

The Real Task
Today, there are over fifty church elected volunteer church workers for every pastor and paid staff members. These are the best potential personal witness and they can become effective in the art of soul-winning, if given the proper guidance. This is the real task in local church evangelism. Elton Trueblood says, "We cannot have an effective ministry of housewives, farmers, and merchants simply by announcing it. It is necessary to produce it. The only way in which this can be done is by the education of a gifted few, whose chief vocation is, the liberation of the ministerial and witnessing power of the church secretaries.

We must remember the Saviour had to send out the twelve and the seventy on their witnessing crusades, as recorded in Matthew 10:1-20 and Luke 10:1-20. Present day Christians will demand no less of their pastors and other paid staff members than the twelve and the seventy demanded of the Saviour during his earthly ministry.

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YOUTH WEEK REPORTS

29. JAYESS BAPTIST CHURCH, Lawrence Association. Reported by Rev. Ben Purvis.
30. COUNTY LINE BAPTIST CHURCH, Jones Association. Reported by Mrs. E. L. Cole, Jr.
31. TAYLOR BAPTIST CHURCH, Lafayette Association. Reported by Miss Rita Tatum.
32. ROXIE BAPTIST CHURCH, Franklin Association. Reported by A. D. Whitehead.
33. HERNANDO BAPTIST CHURCH, DeSoto Association. Reported by Pastor W. E. Corkern.
34. WEST POINT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Clay Association. Reported by Mrs. Richard Hazlewood.
35. MEADOW GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, Rankin Association, observed two weeks, one of youth revival and one of Youth Week. Pastor Ronnie Jackson; Song Leader, Debbie Smith; Training Union Director, Peggy Sue Stanford.

CHURCH ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE

First Baptist Church, West Point

May 16-17

A conference planned primarily for pastors and church staff with special conferences Monday night for deacons; Tuesday night for church council members; Tuesday morning for church secretaries.

Conference Leaders
J. Elvin Reeves, Church Administration Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

Charles Tidwell, School of Religious Education, Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

**TOP 27 CHURCHES WITH HIGHEST PER CENT OF MEMBERS ENROLLED IN MUSIC MINISTRY**

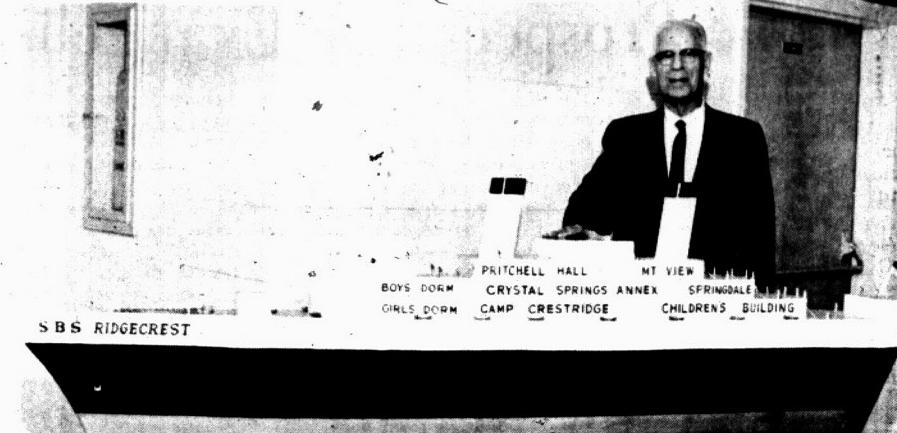
Church	Association	Pastor	Chorus	Membership	Enrollment	Per Cent
1. Clear Branch	Lincoln	Edwin Burns	76	75	75	42
2. Montrose	Jasper	James R. Dowis	111	39	42	35
4. Fellowship	Simpson	Paul Roberts	120	52	52	43
5. Dorsey	Itawamba	W. D. Stovall	120	46	46	38
6. Magnolia Street	Jones	Clyde B. Little	120	67	67	56
7. Victoria	Lebanon	Lester Wright	120	58	58	48
8. Stanton	Adams	Bill Henderson	100	40	35	35
9. Lake Como	Jasper	Marvin K. Lee	31	21	21	67
10. Eastabogie	Lebanon	T. K. Ford	61	37	37	60
11. Spring Creek	Neshoba	Max B. Graham	77	25	25	33
12. Newsoms	Mississippi	Thomas Wicker	15	15	15	100
13. Union	Noxubee	Fred Trexler, Jr.	15	15	15	100
14. Concord	Lebanon	Paul Martin	51	51	51	100
15. Bond	Lebanon	Fred Fowler	74	55	55	74
16. Cedar Grove	Pearl River	David McMillan	100	50	50	50
17. South McComb	Jones	James McCall	67	33	33	49
18. West Ripley	Tippah	William West	78	33	33	42
19. Planterville	Lee	J. S. Johnson	78	33	33	42
20. First, Louisville	Winston	Vernon May	222	100	100	45
21. Trinity	Monroe	George Hunt	100	50	50	50
22. Ridgecrest	Hinds	Fred A. Triplett	100	50	50	50
23. Meadowood	Monroe	B. H. Neil	100	50	50	50
24. McLawren Rigs.	Rankin	J. C. Renfroe	100	50	50	50
25. Easthaven	Lebanon	Garland McInnis	100	50	50	50
26. Southside						

1970 CENSUS MAY POSE QUESTIONS ON RELIGION

CLEVELAND (RNS) — The director of the U. S. Census Bureau said here that his organization is considering questioning Americans on their religious beliefs in the 1970 census. According to Ross Eckler, Roman Catholic and Protestant bodies have requested that such questions be included in the census. Such questions are opposed by Jews and Christian Scientists, he added.

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"SKIPPER" WILLARD K. WEEKS, manager of Ridgecrest Assembly, inspects an eight-foot model of the Southern Baptist Ship "Ridgecrest." The assembly staff or "ship's crew of fellow workers" recently presented the model to Weeks "in appreciation for his expressions of Christian love with words and ideals." At the presentation, Paul Turner, supervisor of the maintenance section, told of the accomplishments and improvements which have materialized since 1950 when Weeks became manager. Both sides of the ship display names of the main buildings that have been built during this time. Newest among the group is the girls' dorm, a three-unit structure which will house 250 girls. Girl staffers for the 1966 season, opening June 9, will be the first to use the new dorm.—Photo by DuPuy

Names In The News

Margaret Jane Allen, Mississippi College sociology major, has been awarded a \$2500 scholarship for graduate study at Florida State University in Tallahassee. Miss Allen (of Toombsboro) will enter the university in September to study towards a master's degree in social work. She is scheduled to receive her bachelor of arts degree from Mississippi College in May.

Carla Moore, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. Dewey Moore, missionaries to Italy, married Rev. George Freedland on April 16. Dr. and Mrs. Moore recently returned to the States for furlough. They may be addressed, c/o Mrs. J. U. Owens, 2910 McComas Ave., Kensington, Md.

Dr. William G. Tanner, pastor of the First Church, Gulfport, has been named as a member of the Credentials Committee for the forthcoming Southern Baptist Convention, to be held in Detroit, May 24-27. Dr. Landrum Leavell, former pastor of the Gulfport church, and now pastor of First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Texas, is a member of the same committee.

Alan Wayne, first son and second child of Rev. and Mrs. Norman Beckham, missionaries, was born March 22 in San Jose, Costa Rica. Appointed for Venezuela in March, 1965, Mr. and Mrs. Beckham are now Spanish language students in San Jose (address: Apartado 4035, San Jose, Costa Rica). Born in Salinas, Calif., he lived in Oklahoma while growing up and finished high school in Independence, Mo. Mrs. Beckham, the former Donna Matthews, was born in Nashville, Tenn., but grew up in Jackson, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. William L. Morgan, missionaries to South Brazil, are completing initial language study in Campinas and expect to move to Florianopolis in April (new address: Caixa Postal 399, Florianopolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil). They will do general evangelistic work. Born in Drew, Miss., he grew up in Memphis, Tenn., where she, the former Noreta Smith, was born and reared.

Evangelist Clifton W. Brannon, P. O. Box 1441, Longview, Texas, has just closed a revival in the Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church, East Point, Georgia, where Rev. Roy W. Hickey, is the pastor. During the one week revival there were 49 by baptism and 21 by letter, making a total of 70 additions to the church.

Rev. Walter Kaschel of Sao Paulo, Brazil was guest preacher at the 11 a. m. service on Sunday, April 24, at Temple Church, Hattiesburg. Dr. Kaschel was director of the Brazilian Evangelistic Crusade last year that resulted in one hundred thousand baptisms. His challenge before the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas last June for a simultaneous crusade in 1969 of all of the Americas was accepted by Southern Baptists. He is in this country continuing to work up interest in this direction. Mr. Kaschel also spoke at the monthly Brotherhood Breakfast of Temple Church at 7:15 a. m. April 24, according to Rev. J. Harold Stephens, pastor.

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Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance
Training Union Attendance
Additions To The Church

April 24, 1966

Aberdeen, 1st	393	124
Amory, Meadowood	222	86
Amory, 1st	451	126
Belize, 1st	302	72
Belize, Calvary	115	100
Belize, Emmanuel	538	18
Bridgeton, 1st	400	178
Brookhaven, 1st	789	221
Bruce, 1st	383	126
Forest	422	125
Clinton		
M. Johnson Hts	445	179
Columbus, 1st	675	182
Columbus, 1st	807	183
Columbus, Fairview	331	155
Crystal Springs, 1st	538	19
Gulfport, 1st	260	207
Grenada, Emmanuel	379	98
Gulfport, 1st	848	199
Hattiesburg:	377	110
Southside	98	10
3rd Street Avenue	253	136
First Street	607	195
Main Street	340	168
North Main	872	329
Main	651	32
Houston, 1st	13	6
Main	43	205
Parkway	344	146
Jackson:	92	59
Highland	402	133
Broadmoor	1813	550
Parkway	1024	400
West Jackson	398	156
Parke	271	185
Southern Hills	320	140
Briarwood	308	149
Crestwood	111	62
Raymond Road	331	80
McLaurin Heights	323	155
Lakeview Msn	15	2
Woodville Heights	224	69
Alta Woods	1092	360
Midway	202	220
Calvary	1391	504
Mission	63	28
First	1378	258
Hillcrest	668	220
McDowell Road	135	3
Hillside	820	253
Southside	339	127
Daniel	639	193
Oak Forest	643	206
Woodland Hills	689	166
Kosciusko:		
Parkway	207	92
First	489	178
Main	471	157
Maple St.	18	21
Laura:		
Magnolia St	428	181
Plainway	176	129
Bethlehem	205	120
First	309	138
Second Avenue	309	150
Mission	105	2
Wildwood	285	119
West Laurel	395	177
Hillside	183	157
Lexington, 1st	202	80
Long Beach, 1st	511	113
Main	483	88
Mission	20	25
Lyon:	237	17
Roundaway Msn	17	1
Macon, 1st	199	1
McComb:		
Navilla	271	153
South	222	94
Locus St	203	108
Meridian:		
Collinsville	131	62
State Blvd.	449	137
Calvary	456	180
Main	404	154
Fewell Survey Msn	42	26
Pine Springs Msn	30	10
Oak Hill	380	172
Fifteenth Avenue	490	203
Poplar Springs Dr.	562	133
Eighth Avenue	219	94
Mountain Creek	86	32
Hillside	722	251
Pascagoula, 1st	673	1
Main	317	160
G. C. Nursing Home	390	130
Martin Bluff	314	75
Petal-Harvey	30	1
Main	10	1
Memorial Drive	580	173
Main	37	18
Mission	41	14
Porter, First	41	14
Pontotoc, West Hgts	256	81
Rosedale, 1st	129	50
North	54	50
Sandersville	262	130
Saint	65	28
Sharon, 1st (Jones)	138	70
Springfield (Scott)	118	45
Starkeville, 1st	1037	400
Star:	167	89
Tiptoe:		
W. Jackson St.	261	114
Calvary	72	258
East Heights	420	167
Vicksburg	4	1
Manuel	144	48
Woodrow Avenue	455	201
West Point, 1st	553	189
Woodrow:		
Parkway	242	97



MRS. JOHN C. ZACHARY was recently presented a perfect attendance pin from her pastor, Rev. Tom Rayburn, Second Avenue Church, Laurel. Mrs. Zachary has the unusual record of thirteen years' perfect attendance in Sunday school, Training Union, WMU, prayer meeting, Sunday morning and night worship services. This is the only known record of such continuous church service in the Southern Baptist Convention.

PARKWAY TO SHOW FILM ON VIETNAM

"Viet Nam Profile," just-completed film production by Dr. Bob Pierce for World Vision, Inc., will be presented in a special showing at Parkway Church, Jackson, on April 29, at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

Eighty minutes in length, the sound-color documentary film takes the viewer throughout war-torn Viet Nam, portraying "the drama of God at work in the midst of war."

Dr. Pierce, President of World Vision, Inc., has spent the major part of the last two years in Viet Nam filming and directing production of "Viet Nam Profile," while also establishing his organization's vast relief program there.

"Viet Nam Profile" portrays the people of the war-torn little country, including colorful aboriginal mountain tribespeople as well as the Vietnamese people themselves. It takes the viewer into scenes of actual combat, follows missionaries and Vietnamese Christians in their faithful and often heroic labors for Christ, and depicts the ministries of a typical U. S. chaplain.

Baptists To Stage Detroit "Fly-In"

DETROIT (BP) — Several dozen, Baptist ministers and laymen who fly private airplanes are expected to stage

a "fly-in" to the Southern Baptist Convention here May 24-27.

The group, known as the Flying Parsons, will hold a fly-in breakfast, Tuesday,

May 24, at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel in connection with the meeting.

About 40 Baptist ministers, denominational workers, and laymen are members of the group, organized in 1963 when the convention met in Kansas City, Mo.

Ray Conner, field services consultant in the church music department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, is president of the Flying Parsons.

Program topics for the 7:00 a.m. breakfast will include: "Coming...A Revolution in Private Aviation," and "Weather...An Important Factor in Air Safety."

Reported by the Southern Baptist

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Elijah Confronts Ahab

By Clifton J. Allen

1 Kings 21

How rapidly evil progresses! The descendants of Jeroboam led the nation more and more into the depth of wickedness.

Ahab became king in 874 B.C. He married Jezebel, a princess of Zidon, who determined to make the worship of Baal the religion of the nation. Elijah appeared on the scene as God's courageous prophet. Under God's leadership, Elijah engaged Ahab and the prophets of Baal in a contest on Mount Carmel. God sent fire to consume Elijah's offering. Many of the prophets of Baal were slain. But Ahab, dominated by the iron will of Jezebel, continued on the throne. The lesson we now study is the account of Ahab's covetous desire for Naboth's vineyard, which led to the murder of Naboth, and then to Elijah's declaration to Ahab of the terrible judgment of God to come upon both him and Jezebel and their descendants

after him.

The Lesson Explained

AHAB'S COVETOUSNESS (vv. 1-4)

One of Ahab's palaces was in Jezreel. Hard by the palace grounds was Naboth's vineyard, a part of his family inheritance. It was not unnatural that Ahab wanted the vineyard in order to extend his gardens and improve the royal estate. His offer to Naboth to purchase the vineyard outright or to give in exchange an even better one was declined. According to the Levitical law, a family inheritance was to be kept in the family. His refusal to sell was an indication of his piety and an expression of his spiritual fidelity. But Ahab's desire for the vineyard became an obsession. And when he was thwarted, Ahab pouted, went to bed, and refused to eat. Life was hardly worth living to Ahab unless his covetous passion could be satisfied. But for Naboth, fidelity to the family heritage was much more important than money.

JEZEBEL'S PURPOSE (vv. 5-7)

Jezebel was of a sterner sort than Ahab. He was

wicked and weak, but she was wicked and strong. She had no qualms of conscience and quickly devised a wicked scheme.

The verses following the print passage tell of Jezebel's prompt action. She wrote some letters to the right persons, sealed the letters with the royal seal, and charged these persons to plan a celebration in honor of Naboth. She further charged them to engage two men to bring a charge of blasphemy against Naboth, and then to see that he was taken out and stoned to death. Her cruel scheme was carried out just as she conceived it. Pride generated covetousness, and covetousness led to murder. It was of little moment to Ahab and Jezebel that Naboth was dead. Ahab forgot his melancholy and rose up and took possession of the vineyard.

GOD'S MESSAGE (vv. 17-20, 27)

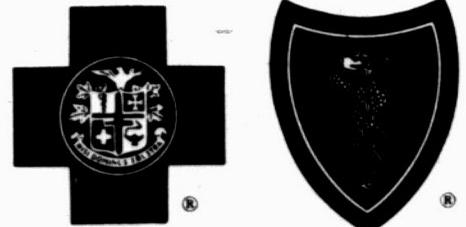
Naboth's blood cried out for judgment. God sent Elijah to declare to Ahab his guilt and to announce to him his punishment. Elijah declared to him the fearful judgment of the Lord. The dogs would lick his blood in the same place

where they had licked the blood of Naboth. Jezebel would die in disgrace and be devoured by the dogs by the wall of Jezreel. When Ahab heard these words, he was overcome by remorse and fear. Sackcloth and fasting were in order but not enough. There was no real repentance. God declared that he would spare Ahab the sight of the destruction of his house, but destruction would surely come later.

Truths to Live By

God is not indifferent when righteous people suffer.—It is of course true that evil persons often prosper. It is also true that wicked persons are often haughty in their oppression of others and utterly defiant toward the righteous God. He will bring the wicked to judgment. He may seem to delay long in delivering the oppressed and in vindicating the righteous, but he will surely do so in ways that express his perfect love, perfect wisdom, and perfect righteousness.

There is wrath and mercy with the Lord.—Wrath and mercy are not opposites, not contradictory. Both are expressions of God's moral nature, of his righteous love. His wrath against Ahab and Jezebel for their wicked deeds was the righteous expression against wrongdoing, against treachery and brutality. His response to Ahab's humbling



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STATE'S ANTI-EVOLUTION LAW CHALLENGED—LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Arkansas Attorney General Bruce Bennett (right) defended the state's law barring the teaching of evolution in public schools at a trial before Chancellor Murray Reed. The attorney discusses the case with a strong supporter of the law, the Rev. M. L. Moseley, Jr., pastor of Central Baptist church. Recently, Mr. Moseley told his congregation that the Bible and the theory of evolution could not co-exist and described evolution as an atheistic philosophy. The 1955 law was challenged by a 24-year-old high school biology teacher. Chancellor Reed said he would issue a decision on the case after a 60-day period for filing briefs by both sides.—RNS Photo

DEVOTION

Go Home

By George F. Lee

Supt. of Missions, Marion-Lawrence-Walhall

"But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house." (Luke 5:24)

Strangely, Jesus instructed the man healed of palsy and forgiven of his sins to go home. Why was he not sent to make disciples of all nations, to baptize and to teach? He was, but with the intention of beginning in his own home!

It is a wonderful thought that one can go home forgiven and cleansed of sins by the Master. A man and his wife trusted Christ as Savior during a revival meeting in New Orleans. The next day they acknowledged that for the first time in years they had not cursed one another across the breakfast table, but in thanks had praised the Lord.

A woman was having difficulty with her uncontrollable daughter. Maybe she tried the usual remedies of more toys, money, and places to go. Anyway, she eventually brought her daughter to Jesus and found that He could solve her family problem.

In a family where Christ's presence and power is known, the Bible is read and believed, children are exhorted to seek after God, the Lord is worshiped daily and a spirit of righteousness prevails.

For the Christian home, worship is not relegated to the church and Bible reading is not delegated to public institutions. Christian parents so cherish the privilege of leading their own children to Christ, they will not take a chance that someone else might bring them to know God.

Home is not a place, but home is a way of life. God has a very definite purpose for family life, oddly as that may sound today, that is not realized by merely being legally married, having children and a house. Many take the home for granted who have never considered once what God intended when He instituted family life.

When the man, healed of palsy, went to his house as sent by the Master, he could tell his family what Jesus had done for him that day. And no doubt, they not only had a father now who was healed of palsy, but also healed of an irritable disposition, selfish ways and indifference to spiritual matters.

Churches do well to minister realistically to the family. Maladjusted family life is one of our most common ailments and is the source of insecurity, alcoholism, ill temper, juvenile delinquency, inability to reason with others, immorality and weak churches. When the church ministers to the family, the family can better serve and worship the Lord through the church. We must make it possible for more people to go to their houses as sent by the Master.

Soso Church Receives Bequest

First Church, Soso is the recipient of \$1,000 from the estate of the late B. F. Valentine who passed away May 31, 1965. He was an active member and deacon for 25 years.

A letter of appreciation was

given to Mrs. Valentine in behalf of the congregation for this expression of love that her late husband bequeathed to his Christ and his church.

Mr. Valentine served as a public school teacher for about 50 years. The gift will be used to improve present buildings and to purchase needed equipment. The pastor is Rev. Dick Brogan.

The temptation to leap from the pinnacle of the Temple was not only effort to put God on the spot; it was an effort to put a proviso in the contract. The tempter was trying to get Jesus to put a condi-

tional stipulation in the obedience agreement, the commitment document.—J. Winston Pearce in "Seven First Words of Jesus." (Broadman Press, 1966).

Medicare Supplement Now Being Offered

A new low-cost health plan designed especially for people age 65 and over to supplement the federal government's Medicare program has been announced by Mississippi Blue Cross-Blue Shield. This new program for senior citizens is called "Senior Med."

In explaining the need for this additional protection, Dr. J. C. Woosley, president of Mississippi Hospital and Medical Service (Blue Cross-Blue Shield), stated: "Medicare brings to our senior citizens very broad and inexpensive health-care protection, but it does have certain gaps with limitations and coinsurance which could cause the individual some out-of-pocket expense. Our "Senior Med" plan has been specifically designed to help cover these gaps so that, combined with Medicare, it will provide people 65 and over with a more complete health-care program at a cost that would safeguard even the most limited budget."

In addition to "Senior Med's", basic benefits, Mississippians age 65 and over may

also obtain coverage up to \$5,000.00 for cancer and ten other dread diseases, providing a broad health care protection "package" for senior citizens at a low monthly cost.

According to Dr. Woosley,

Cross-Blue Shield members have been given the opportunity to take advantage of this special "Senior Med" plan. "All of our members," he said, "in fact, all Mississippi citizens eligible for Medicare, are invited to apply for Blue Cross-Blue Shield's "Senior Med". The combination of Medicare and this new coverage will give them excellent health care protection at a very modest cost."

(Full information on this plan is offered in the advertisement in this issue of your Record.)

LINE CREEK DEACON DIES

Sam D. Cutrer, chairman of deacons of Line Creek Church, near Kentwood, La., and Baptist Record subscriber, died March 28 of a heart attack. His fellow deacons have adopted resolutions expressing their esteem for him.

Mr. Cutrer was a faithful church member for 57 years and a deacon for 38 years.

Survivors include his wife, Beatrice Wilson Cutrer; two sons, Sambo (also a Line Creek deacon) and J.P.; one daughter, Mrs. Charles Bond (wife of a Line Creek deacon, and one of the church organists); nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Crooked Creek Changes Date For Homecoming

The annual homecoming at Crooked Creek Church, Lawrence County has been changed from the first Sunday in June to the first Sunday in August.

All former pastors are especially invited. Lunch will be served at the church. The summer revival will also begin on the first Sunday in August.

Rev. C. E. Rivers is the pastor.

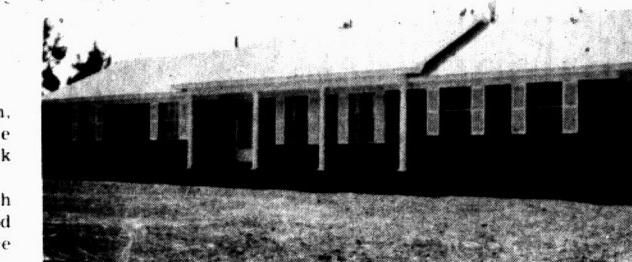
Johnston Station

To Dedicate New Sanctuary

Johnston Station Church, Pike County, announces the dedication of a new brick sanctuary May 1.

Services will begin with Sunday school at 10, followed by morning worship service and dinner on the grounds. The afternoon session will begin about 1:30, with Rev. Edwin Burns leading the dedicatory service and Rev. W. R. Lowrey bringing the sermon. Other former pastors will also participate.

Rev. Eddie King is pastor.



SUNDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 17, MR. AND MRS. DONALD BROWN held OPEN HOUSE at the new home provided for the Minister of Music and Youth of First Church, Batesville. The Browns recently moved into the brick-veneer, three-bedroom home built for them by the church. The home has a living room-dining room combined and a large kitchen and den and garage. The Building Committee included Thomas Burnett, J. C. Sparks, A. L. Rhodes, and Hugh Kearney. Open House was planned by the Sunbeam leaders. A housewarming gift of a 'money tree' was presented to the Browns by members of the church, Rev. J. R. Davis, pastor.

Temple Gives Love Offering To Missionaries

Temple Church, Hattiesburg recently received a love offering of several hundred dollars for Ralph and Cora Joyce Davis, missionaries to Nigeria. They are now in the process of packing their supplies to be shipped back to Nigeria.

The Davises hold membership in the Temple Church, along with their children, Nan and David. The family will be leaving June 1 to return to their place of service, where Mr. Davis will be in charge of an entire area of our mission work.

To climax this campaign the church conducted an Easter weekend revival with Rev. Bill Duncan, Associate, State Sunday School department, as evangelist.

"The purpose of this campaign and the weekend revival was to establish greater sustained attendance, create a greater sense of loyalty and responsibility, create greater emphasis on Bible teaching and deepen the spiritual lives of members," said Douglas Slay, Sunday school superintendent.

Further plans are being made through the Sunday School Department to conserve this response by presenting banners to the best class in attendance and the one having the best efficiency record during a given month.

Fairview Church, Columbus: April 11-17; Rev. Ken Lyle, pastor of Central Nassau Church, Long Island New York, evangelist; Roy Brake, music director; Rev. Luther Litchfield, pastor; five professions of faith; two by letter; and 70 public rededications.

First Church, Grenada: April 3-10; Rev. Perry Ellis, Roanoke, Va., evangelist; Rev. Bob Leavell, pastor; Vernon Polk, music director;



MISS CARY ANN GERON, missionary journeyman, shelves books in the library of the International Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland.

JOURNEYMAN IN EUROPE INTRIGUED BY LANGUAGES

sion," she says. "A day rarely goes by that I don't learn something new."

In addition to working in the library, she teaches a girls' Sunday school class and sings in her church choir and in the seminary choir. "Of all the joys in life, I think music has always been dearest to me," she says. "The seminary choir has learned songs in German, Latin, French, and at Christmas, carols in Welsh and Czechoslovak."

Miss Geron spent Christmas at the Baptist children's home in Rome, Italy. "I think Rome is one of the most fascinating cities I have seen," she says. "However, it reminded me how much history I have forgotten."

She values "fellowship" with the seminary students above all other aspects of her life in Ruschlikon. She recently celebrated her 28th birthday with a group of students and faculty members at a camp owned by Swiss Baptists. "It was one of the most enjoyable days of my life," she declares.

Missionary journeymen are young Southern Baptists (under 27 and single) with specific talents and training needed in meeting critical



NEW STEREO—Members of First Church, Clinton presented a new console stereo set to Dr. and Mrs. Norman O'Neal upon Dr. O'Neal's retirement as Minister of Education at the church. They received the set during a reception given in their honor at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Russell McIntire, pastor and wife. Dr. O'Neal has been a member of the First Baptist staff for over a decade. He will continue to serve as chairman of the department of religious education at Mississippi College.

two additions by letter; fifteen rededications; Rev. Jack W. Kinley, pastor.

Columbus, Friendship: April 10-17; Rev. Larry Sexton, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, evangelist; Ed Nolen, music director; Rev. Elvis Gregory, pastor; four professions of faith; seven additions by letter.

Sharon, First (Jones): March 27 - April 1; Rev. Gene Fant, evangelist; Rev. A. R. Vaughn, pastor; one profession of faith; many rededications.

Tupelo Senior Receives YWA Citation

Carol Johnstone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnstone, 1103 Blair Street, Tupelo, was awarded a Citation at First Church, Tupelo. The outstanding achievement award in Young Woman's Auxiliary is in recognition of devoted service in advancing Christian missions in her church and her community.

The presentation was made by Mrs. Jimmie Carter, YWA director, in candlelight ceremony.

Miss Johnstone is a senior at Tupelo High School.

Rev. Samuel Shepard is pastor of First, Tupelo.

Douglas Accepts Louisiana Post

Dr. S. Dodds Douglas, minister of music and education of Eastland Church, Pascagoula, since June, 1960, has resigned to accept the position as minister of music for First Church, Vidalia, La.

A graduate of Mississippi College and Southwestern Seminary, he formerly served churches in Texas and in Tennessee, and Oakhurst, Clarkdale, and First Church, Kreole, in Mississippi.

He is married to the former Minnie Mae Lennep of Pascagoula, and has two sons, Stephen, 12, and David, 10.

Eastlaw, Pascagoula's Youth Choir has been recognized as one of the outstanding choirs of the South. They have traveled more than 15,000 miles, singing in more than 50 churches in 16 states. They sang at the National Royal Ambassador Congress, Washington, D. C., and, by invitation, before the Baptist World Alliance at Miami.

Rev. Athens McNeil is Eastlaw pastor.

spiritual, physical, and educational needs where career foreign missionaries are located. The journeymen are employed by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board for two-year terms.



CLARKE COLLEGE'S NEW B. S. U. COUNCIL—From left, clockwise: Joyce Bawgus, Baltimore, Md., devotional chairman; Nellie Arnett, Louisville, music chairman; Larry Costilow, Newton, vice president; Kenneth Walker, Lucedale, pianist; Ronnie Sharpless, Atmore, Ala., Men's Dorm Meditation chairman; Ronnie Burkett, Jackson, president; Paul Lee, Tupelo, church activities chairman; Gayle Dillon, Tylertown, Y. W. A. representative; Gayle Hull, Selma, Ala., stewardship chairman; Pam Ethridge, Creve Coeur, Ill., mission chairman; Lily Ward, Grenada, enlistment chairman; Gail Bradford, Warner Robbins, Ga., publicity chairman; Joyce Smith, Grenada, social chairman; Pauline Spence, Winnsboro, La., secretary; (not pictured) Fred Toomey, ministerial association representative.

Revival Dates

Hickory Church: May 1-6; Rev. Howard Merritt, White-sand Church, Prentiss, evangelist; Allen Drost, First Church, Newton, Newton, music director; services at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Rev. H. L. Davis, pastor.

First Church, Raleigh: May 1-6; Rev. Billy Smith, Independence, evangelist; Rev. E. W. C. Burns, Gautier, singer; Rev. Billy Crosby, pastor.

Sand Hill (Jones): April 29-May 1; weekend youth revivals; Rev. Tom Leggett, Mobile College, Mobile, Ala., pastor.



CLARKE STUDENTS REPORT ON CONFERENCE—From left, front row: Joyce Smith, Gail Bradford, Pam Ethridge; second row: Johnny Wether, Ralph Culp, Larry Costilow, Rev. J. B. Costilow; top row: J. Clifford Watson, Dean of the College; Curtis Roland, Ronnie Burkett, Dr. W. L. Comper, President; and Richard Smith. Fifty-one Clarke College students, accompanied by 10 college officials, attended the Twelfth Annual Student Missions Conference at the New Orleans Seminary, March 25, 26. The students pictured above reported on the conference in chapel on March 25. They toured various missions in the New Orleans area.

Rev. Ralph E. Brady began his seventh year as pastor of the Pearlhaven Baptist Church in Brookhaven, on April 10. In appreciation, the church is sending him on a trip to the mission field, the island of Guadeloupe in the French West Indies, where he will visit the mission work going on there. He will visit two missionary families, the William H. Cain's and the Paul White's.

The Pearlhaven Church has been forwarding partial missionary support to the Paul White family for several years. Rev. Brady will depart for the mission field sometimes late in May and will visit for about two weeks before returning.

Typing in unknown languages requires concentrating and "going peck, peck, peck very slowly," says Miss Geron, native of Dallas, Tex. She is particularly fascinated by Polish, which offers book titles like *Proba Irenologii Chrzeszczajskiej*.

"I find that I still have a lot to learn about my profes-